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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 7/29/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3,6-9,11 and 20-27.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 29 August 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Response to Amendment

Applicants' amendment filed on June 22, 2005 was entered on June 29, 2005 and the Supplemental amendment faxed on July 29, 2005 has been entered on July 29, 2005.

Therefore claims 1 and 20 as amended by the Supplemental amendment and claims 3, 6-9, 11 and 21-22 and 24-27 as previously recited are currently pending the Application.

Claims 4,10 were previously cancelled and 12-19 drawn to nonelected invention have been cancelled by the Supplemental amendment filed on July 29, 2005.

Claims 5 and 23 have been cancelled by the examiner's amendment below as authorized by Attorney Valeri Hayes (53,005) on July 29, 2005.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

The Application has been amended as follows .

In The Claims

Cancel claims 5 and 23, the subject matter of these claims have been incorporated by the Supplemental amendment in to independent claims 1 and 20 respectively.

The above examiner's amendment was authorized by Attorney Valeri P. Hayes (53,005) on July 29, 2005.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-3,6-9,11,20-22 and 24-27 are allowed.

The prior art taken either singularly or in combination fails to anticipate or fairly suggest the limitation of the dependent claims, in such manner that a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102 or 103 would be proper. The applied prior art fails to teach a combination of all the claimed features as presented in independent claims 1 and 20 which include An inplane switching mode liquid crystal display device including first and second substrates having a liquid crystal layer there between, gate and data lines arranged to cross each other on the first substrate to define a plurality of pixel regions, a plurality of common and data electrodes on the first substrate that apply an electric field to the liquid crystal layer that is parallel to the first substrate and at least one dummy pattern overlapping at least one portion of the data lines for repairing at least an open region of the data lines wherein the portion of the data lines overlapped with the dummy pattern is electrically connected to the dummy pattern and wherein the dummy pattern is integral (as described in the Applicants' specification pages 5 lines 15-18 and page 8 lines 25-30 and figure 3 # 39 , 39 a and 41, etc.) with at least one of the common electrodes and is of a same material as the common electrode .

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steven H. Rao whose telephone number is (571) 272-1718 . The examiner can normally be reached on 8.00 to 5.00.

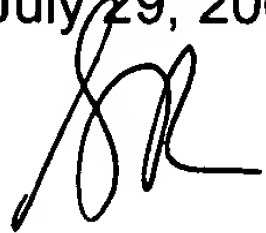
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